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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Examiner: M. D. PAK; Art Unit: 1646; Docket No.: 1896**

**In RE: Application of V. PATCHEV, et al**  
**Ser. No.: 09/989,952**  
**Filing date: November 20, 2001**  
**Title: In vitro Screening for Ligands of the Estrogen Receptor**

November 1, 2005

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION AND  
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks,  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated July 28, 2005, please make  
the following changes and consider the following REMARKS: